

To the Members of the California State Assembly:

I am returning Assembly Bill 639 without my signature.

This bill would require the California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation (CDCR) and the Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV) to work collaboratively to ensure that certain inmates released from San Quentin State Prison obtain a valid California identification card.

I share the author's concern for providing tools to individuals about to be released from prison that will aid them in making a successful transition into the community. The CDCR and DMV have worked together to provide California identification cards to parolees in the past and are currently working on a similar joint pilot at various CDCR facilities.

Additionally, this bill will result in parolees receiving services that are not currently available to the general public. For example, the DMV does not perform the function of determining whether or not members of the general public have the ability to pay applicable identification card fees. These services must be applied for through other governmental or non-profit public assistance programs.

Sincerely,

Arnold Schwarzenegger